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TENNEN BITTER CHOCOLATE

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BITTER
CHOCO

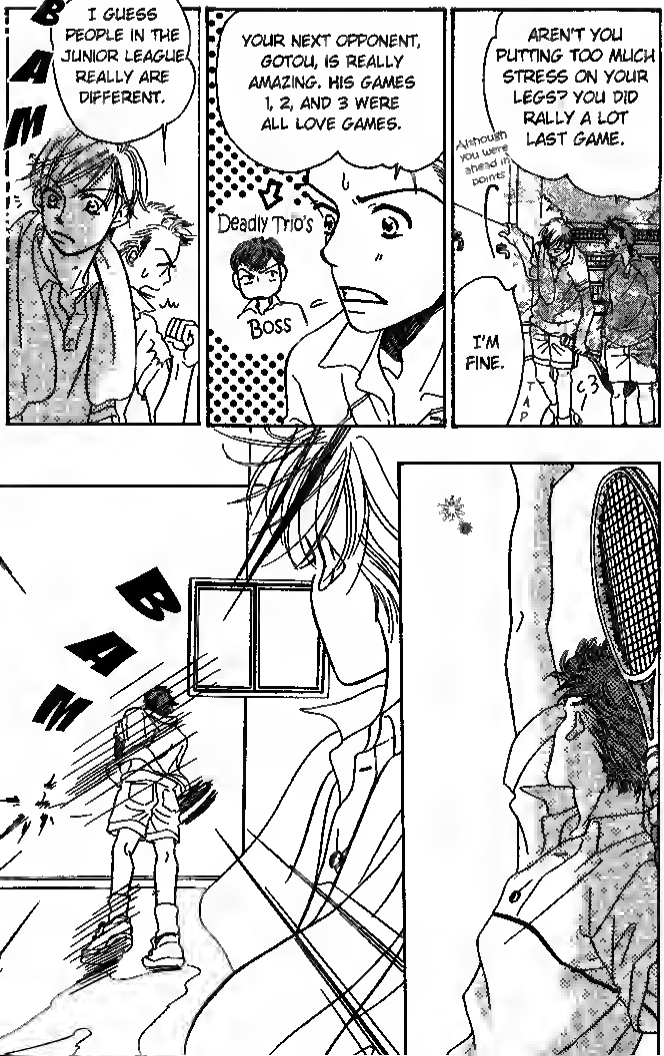
CAPTAIN

HE HAS NO NAME. HE IS THE BOYS TENNIS' CAPTAIN AND THE MOST KIND OF ALL THE CHARACTER'S IN THIS MANGA, PROBABLY. ~BECAUSE OF HIS 'ALWAYS NICE' PROFILE HE DOES NOT GET MANY THANKS.~ I WONDER WHAT HIS RESULTS WERE FOR HIS LAST SUMMER TOURNAMENT IN HIGH SCHOOL...

WHY
DID IT COME TO THIS...?

CALL YOUR BOYFRIEND FOR HELP.
WHAT..?
I CAN'T.
SEMPAI IS IN THE MIDDLE OF A IMPORTANT COMPETITION.
And I don't have his cell phone number
YOSHIYUKI SEMPAI...?!
....IS
...IS THAT YOUR OBJECTIVE...?
I DON'T CARE.
CALL HIM.
- AM I

YOSHIYUKI.
HURRY UP!
CAPTAIN!
YOUR FOURTH MATCH IS ABOUT TO START.
I'LL BE THERE IN A SECOND.
SLICE
HEY.
ONCE AGAIN...
BLOCKING SEMPAI'S FUTURE...
SWISH


BAM
I GUESS PEOPLE IN THE JUNIOR LEAGUE REALLY ARE DIFFERENT.
YOUR NEXT OPPONENT, GOTOU, IS REALLY AMAZING. HIS GAMES 1, 2, AND 3 WERE ALL LOVE GAMES.
Deadly Trio's
BOSS
AREN'T YOU PUTTING TOO MUCH STRESS ON YOUR LEGS? YOU DID RALLY A LOT LAST GAME.
Although you were ahead in points
I'M FINE.
TAP
BAM

Ah, it's Gotou.
BAM
HA! HA!
IF YOU PLAY TOO HARD BEFORE THE GAME,
I'M JUST GIVING YOU A HANDICAP.
I DON'T WANT TO FIGHT WITH A MERE ONE SET STUDENT TENNIS.
YOU'LL FAINT.
TUN

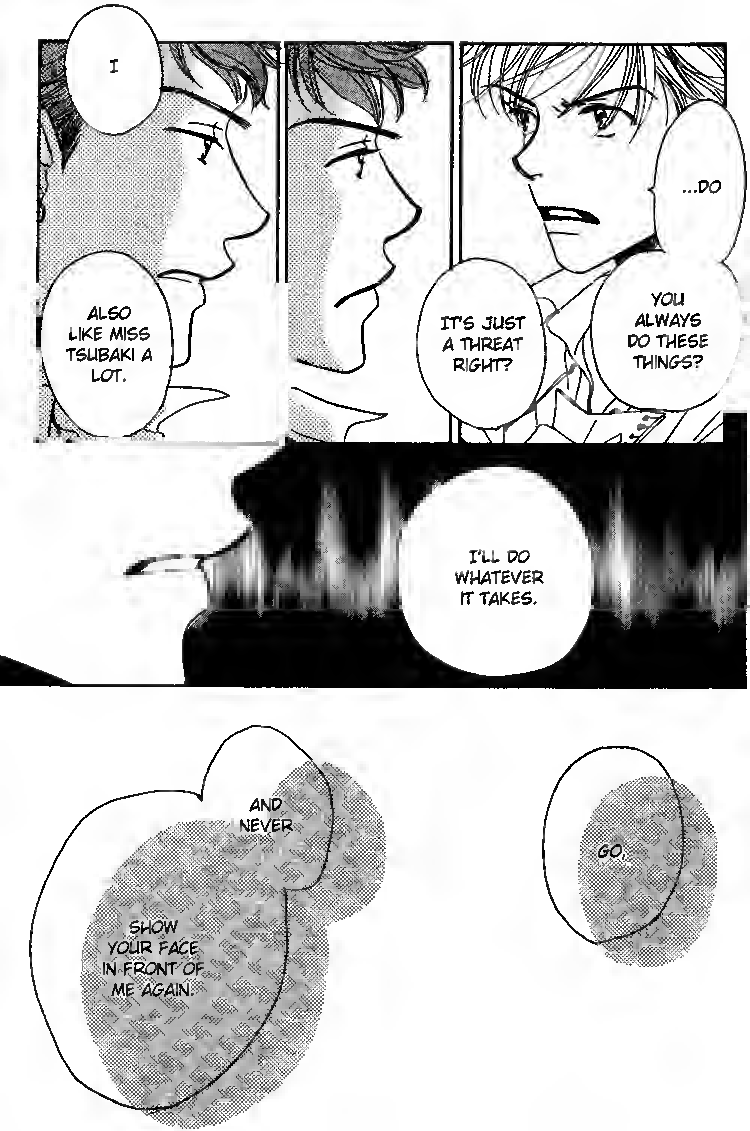
YOU'RE PRETTY GOOD WITH WORDS.
I'M NOT THE SAME AS BEFORE.
You're pretty good
YOU PROBABLY DON'T REMEMBER BUT I'VE KNOWN YOU FOR A LONG TIME.
I'VE ENTERED THE NATIONAL ELEMENTARY LEAGUE AND THE JUNIOR LEAGUE MANY TIMES.
EACH TIME I'VE BEEN CRUSHED MERCILESSLY IN FRONT OF MISS TSUBAKI'S EYES.
YOU MIGHT THINK THIS IS A JOKE BECAUSE OF YOUR PERSONALITY,
BUT MISS TSUBAKI REALLY LIKES YOU,
ENOUGH TO LET YOU USE HER.

YOU DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO LIKE GIRLS!
SLIDE

RIING RIING
DOUGI.
BEEP
PI
PI
PI
PI
?
WHAT'S THIS?
IT'S THE GIRL YOU THREW MISS TSUBAKI AWAY FOR.

Yo...
Yoshiyuki-sempai...?
DON'T WORRY.
YOU DON'T NEED TO COME.
I'M...
I'M OKAY!!!
BEEP
Ah...
PI
WORK HARD AT THE COMPETITION!!!

TRYING TO HAVE TENNIS AND WOMEN, THE WORLD ISN'T THAT EASY.
I WIN BY DEFAULT.
LOOK AT YOU NOW.
Heights #503
HERE IS THE PLACE SHE IS AT.
CRINKLE
IF YOU GO RIGHT NOW I'LL RETURN HER SAFELY.
EVEN IF YOU HURRY AND TAKE A TAXI, IT TAKES ABOUT 30 MINUTES TO GET THERE.


I
ALSO LIKE MISS TSUBAKI A LOT.
...DO
YOU ALWAYS DO THESE THINGS?
IT'S JUST A THREAT RIGHT?
I'LL DO WHATEVER IT TAKES.
AND NEVER
SHOW YOUR FACE IN FRONT OF ME AGAIN.
GO.

IKU NI-CHAN!
Gener
Mukota General Store
I MADE ICE CREAM.
DO YOU WANT SOME?
Just woke up.
ICE CREAM?
YEAH!!!
YOU MADE IT? THAT'S AWE-SOME
HEHEHE, AREN'T I?
WHAT ABOUT YOUR MOM?
I DON'T KNOW. DIDN'T SHE GO TO YOUR HOUSE?
BEEP
I DIDN'T SEE HER.

TAP
IKU NI-CHAN,
MOM
WHAT ABOUT SHINA-TSU?
DO YOU KNOW WHENEVER YOU SEE ME, YOU ASK ABOUT NEE-CHAN,
IT'S REALLY RUDE.
I CAN'T HELP IT.
SHE NEVER LOOKS AT ME.
TWITCH
YOU'RE A FAILURE.
YOU KNOW...
STOP ACTING LIKE YOU GAVE UP WHEN YOU HAVEN'T.

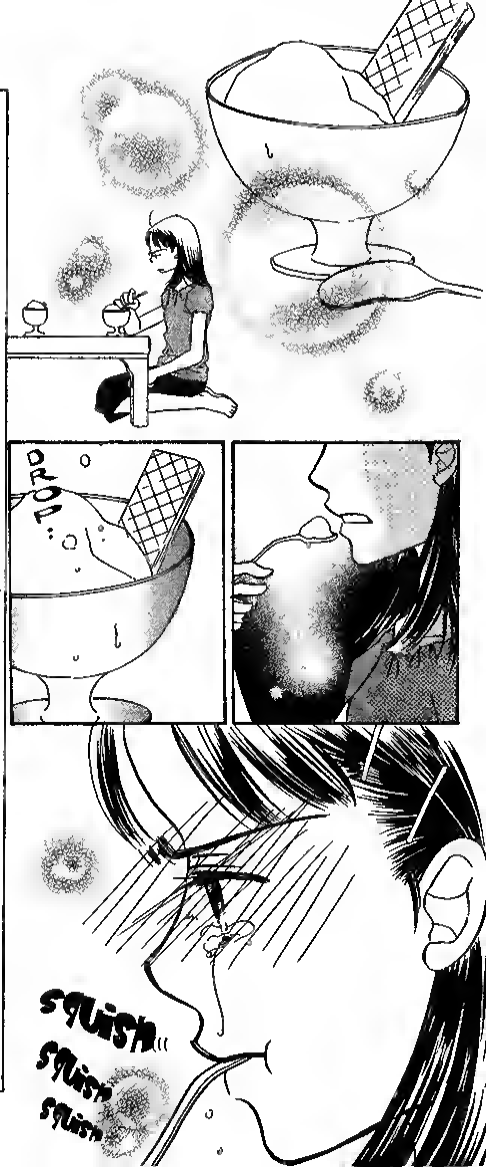
NEE-CHAN WENT TO A TENNIS TOURNAMENT.
AH...
Now that I think about it, she did.
PU
BEEP
BEEP
THEN AGAIN,
BECAUSE OF NEE-CHAN'S PERSONALITY,
SHE PROBABLY WENT TO CHEER FOR YOSHIYUKI SEMPAI AT THE BOY'S LOCATION.
NEE-CHAN,
ALWAYS HAS AN ANXIOUS EXPRESSION.
THERE'S NO REASON FOR THINGS TO GO WELL.
THOSE TWO MUST NOT BE GETTING ALONG WELL.

ARE YOU STILL GOING TO RUN AWAY?
YOU JUST HAVE TO BECOME COOLER THAN YOSHIYUKI SEMPAI.
GUYS ARE ALL ABOUT SPIRIT, AREN'T THEY?

...I'M GETTING LECTURED BY A MIDDLE SCHOOLER I'M A FAILURE
YEAH, YOU ARE.
Middle School 3rd Year
WHERE'S YOSHIYUKI'S COMPETITION TAKING PLACE?
'A' HIGH SCHOOL, 2ND GROUND.
SHOULDN'T YOU WASH YOUR FACE FIRST?
Ah..
Dink
TAP
STEP
STEP
STEP

ABOUT THAILAND

I DON'T REALLY HAVE ANYTHING TO SAY SO I WILL WRITE ABOUT MY TRIP TO THAILAND. IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE MANHWA SO I AM SORRY TO THOSE WHO ARE NOT INTERESTED
WHILE MY FRIEND M WAS STATIONED IN MONGOLIA FOR TWO YEARS DOING VOLUTEER WORK, WAS A SYSTEM WHERE SHE COULD VISIT OTHER COUNTRIES AROUND HER. SHE TOLD ME SHE WAS GOING SOUTHWEST FROM CHINA TO THAILAND AND INVITED ME ALONG. WITH JUST A TICKET FOR WANGBOK AIRLINES, WITHOUT ANY HOTEL RESERVATIONS OR ANY OTHER PLANS, AND ONLY ONE TRAVELING BAG, I LEFT.
WE DECIDED TO MEET AT BANGKOK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. BANGKOK WAS MORE POPULATED THAN I IMAGINED. I WAS SHOCKED. THE HOTEL WAS CHEAP, PROBABLY BECAUSE IT HADN'T BEEN USED VERY MUCH. THAILAND PEOPLE ARE REALLY NICE AND KIND SO...



SALTY...
CLACK
IS IT THERE?
2nd playground
Boy's Tennis World Tournament
THE 2ND GROUND ..
WHERE THE HECK IS THE 2ND GROUND!
THUNK

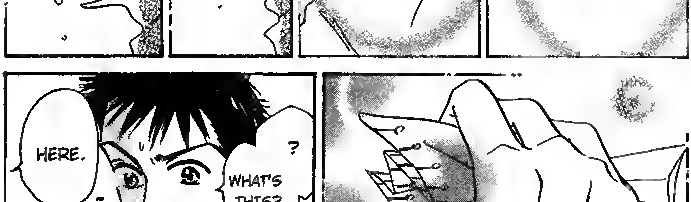
YOSHIYUKI?

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
WHAT ABOUT THE MATCH?
MATCH?
OH YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT...
THE MATCH.
WHAT ABOUT SHINATSU?

IF IT WERE ME, I WOULD NEVER MAKE HER ANXIOUS.
WHERE IS SHINATSU?
I SAID THIS BEFORE,
BUT THERE'S NO WAY I'D RETREAT.

ARE YOU SERIOUSLY GOING TO DROP OUT?!
COME BACK!
YOSHIYUKI!!!
THIS IS AN IMPORTANT MATCH!
YOUR FUTURE DEPENDS ON IT!!!

"THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE."
"YOU'LL FAIL EASILY."


HERE.
WHAT'S THIS?

WHAT?
I CAN'T EXPLAIN RIGHT NOW, BUT I THINK SHE'S IN DANGER.
SHE'LL PROBABLY BE THERE.

WAIT!
JUST A MOMENT.
YOU'RE THE ONLY PERSON I CAN RELY ON.
HURRY AND GO.
TO ME,
YOU?
NO, WHAT ABOUT...
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?

THIS MATCH IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN HER.
SHE
GO DIE.
PUSH

uwaa
uwa
ah
ah
Tachibana High School Class 1 Yoshiyuki!
Are you ready, Kasai Yoshiyuki?

DIDN'T YOU GO?
SORRY FOR BEING LATE.
SO~ O~ O~
HE DROPPED OUT, I WIN BY DEFAULT.
WHO DID?

I CAN'T ACT LIKE I'M NICE.
YOU'RE THE DEVIL.
IT'S... NOT LIKE I'M GOING TO CRY.
STOP ACTING STRONG.
DID HE FORGET ABOUT YOU?
OW
OW
HE'S LATE.

Grab
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO? YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO GET HOME SAFELY.
HAAA
UH...
YOU!!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING? LET GO OF ME!
I ONLY GET MONEY IF I HOLD ONTO YOU.
YOSHIYUKI SEMPAI.
SEMPAI.
YOU THINK I'LL LET YOU GO!!!

HELP.

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IKU?
Are you okay?
WHAT ABOUT YOSHIYUKI SEMPAI?
HUH?

WHAT ABOUT SEMPAI?

"I'VE DECIDED TO DIVOICE YOUR FATHER."
PAAK
I WON'T HAVE HIS HELP ON TUITION OR YOUR UNIFORM FEE.
BE READY TO LIVE POORLY.
BUT STILL
I HAD INTENDED TO QUIT TENNIS.
GO OUT WITH ME.
IF YOU DO I'LL LET YOU COME TO OUR TENNIS CLUB FOR FREE.
HOW ABOUT IT?
OF COURSE OK.

DEFEAT THE WEAK,
DEFEAT THOSE WHO ARE COCKY!
THAT'S HOW I GOT HERE.
AND NOW THAT I'M HERE.
WOW
WOWO

...DID YOU KNOW
THAT MEN ARE ALL SPIRIT?
THERE'S NOTHING I CAN DO ABOUT THE FACE,
BUT IF IT'S SPIRIT...
BANG

HUH...?
COME TO ME.